

Chair-leg Tony can topple Posh

By Steve Curry

TONY HORSEMAN, nicknamed Bodger by the fans of Isthmian League Wycombe Wanderers, smokes and drinks too much according to his manager Brian Lee.

But they are vices that appear to have little effect on his goal-scoring prowess, as Fourth Division League leaders Peterborough United could find out in the second round of the F.A. Cup on December 15.

Wycombe, heroes of a 3-1 win over Newport in the first round on Saturday, drew Peterborough at home in yesterday's draw.

And Horseman, a veteran of 31 who has scored 21 goals this season, is the player Posh must halt if Noel Cantwell's side want to move into the prestigious third round.

Lee, a former F.A. staff coach and steeped in sport in his job as director of the National Recreation Centre at Bisham Abbey, Marlow, has managed Wycombe for the last five seasons.

"We are worthy of a good

side like Peterborough, and it should draw a crowd of about 10,000 to Loakes Park. At least, I know I won't have to motivate my players.

"Horseman has been a great scorer for me even though he smokes and drinks too much. We call him Bodger because that's his job in a local furniture factory—a chair bodger." (That's the man who turns chair legs to shape on a lathe).

Problems

Horseman is propped up by two physical education masters in the Wycombe attack—athletic 22-year-old thoroughbreds Steve Perrin and Dillon Evans.

And skipping the side is Larry Pritchard, who has almost 50 England amateur caps and played for Sutton United against Leeds in the F.A. Cup four years ago.

One problem for Wanderers is getting training facilities during the power reductions. Lee says: "Marlow Rugby club, who have their own generator, helped us before the Newport game, and I'm hoping they will be kind enough to co-operate again."

Cantwell said last night: "This is a really tough one.

I've never visited their ground or seen them play. A lot will depend on their playing surface, but I am confident we can win."